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### Response to First Office Action

In response to the outstanding First Office Action dated January 30, 2002, Applicants submit the following Amendments and Remarks.

#### In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1, 3, and 4.

#### Version with Markings to Show Changes Made:

Please replace claim 2 with the following amended claim 2:

2. (Amended) A method as claimed in claim [1] 10, characterized in that the temperature interval is between 300°C and 600°C.

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